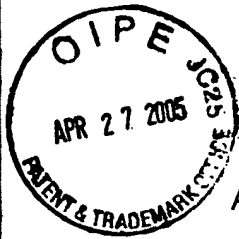


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Upon review of the documents attached to the Notice of Allowability
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An initialed copy of the Supplementary European Search Report
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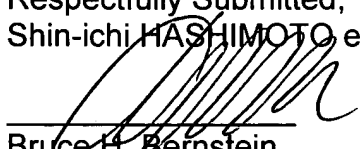
While the record is clear that the Examiner has considered the information cited in the disclosure statements, because both disclosure statements were reviewed by the Examiner, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner initial a Form PTO-1449 listing the cited information in order that the information will appear on the face of the issued patent. Applicants are therefore submitting a copy of the Form PTO-1449 submitted with the First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement which is modified to also list U.S. Application No. 09/869,334 thereof.

Applicants acknowledge an April 27, 2005 telephone call with the Examiner, and enclosed a date-stamped mailroom receipt evidencing the submission of the First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement including the Form PTO-1449 on July 7, 2004. Moreover, Applicants note that MPEP 609, Rev. 2, May 2004, beginning at page 600-127 discusses information to be listed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(b) which list can include U.S. applications and be on a Form PTO-1449 (see under the heading "A(1) List of All Patents, Publications, U.S. Applications, or Other Information").

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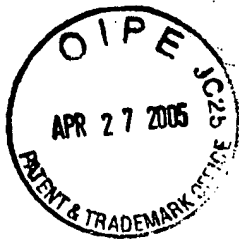
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